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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to accept the accompanying Declarations submitted under 37 CFR 1.47(b) for application for patent on behalf of the omitted inventor James Peter Hoddie.

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Accompanying this Petition and the Declarations is the requisite fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h) in the amount of \$130. Please charge any additional fees required to our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, Koichi Wada, Manager Intellectual Property Division, Sony Corporation,

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By virtue of the proprietary interest in the said U.S. patent application, I sign this declaration on behalf of and as agent for James Peter Hoddie, the omitted inventor who refuses to sign. Mr. Hoddie is a citizen of the United States and his last known address is 579 Ninth Avenue, Menlo Park, California 94025.

Upon information and belief, I aver those facts which the inventor is required to state. 37 CFR 1.64(b).

I further declare that if the Declaration on Behalf of the Omitted Inventor is not accepted, the above-identified U.S. patent application will be abandoned and important patent rights will be lost.

Accompanying this declaration is a Declaration of Facts in Support of Filing on Behalf of Omitted Inventor and a Declaration Establishing Proprietary Interest by Person Signing on Behalf of Omitted Inventor to establish the proof of pertinent facts and to show that such action is necessary to prevent irreparable damage, as well as the petition fee of \$130 as required by 37 CFR 1.17(h).

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